

REMARKS

Claims 25 and 36 have been amended and no new claims have been added. Claims 28 and 29 are canceled herein and claims 1-24, 26, and 37 were previously canceled. Accordingly, claims 25, 27, 30-36 and 38-44 remain under prosecution in this application.

35 USC §102

Claims 25, 27-30, 32-34, 36 and 38-43 are rejected under 35 USC§102 as being anticipated by Hrovat. Claim 25 has been amended to incorporate the features of originally submitted claim 27. Contrary to the assertions in the Office Action, Hrovat does not teach changing a wheel specific nominal value for the wheel that has sustained a pressure loss. Accordingly, the undersigned believes that the rejection of claim 25 and its dependent claims is now overcome.

Claim 36 has been amended to incorporate these substance of the limitation found in original claim 27. The same arguments set forth immediately above for claim 25 also apply to claim 36. Accordingly, the undersigned believes that the rejection of claim 36 and its dependent claims under 35 USC §102 is now overcome.

35 USC §103

Claims 25, 27-30, 32-36, and 38-44 are rejected under 35 USC §103 as being unpatentable over Liu in view of Hrovat. Although Liu does teach a method for detecting a deflated tire on a vehicle, it does not suggest the application of that technology to the claimed invention. Specifically, the claimed invention relates to a method for controlling the driving dynamics of a vehicle. Moreover, even if Liu did suggest various applications of its method for detecting deflated tire on a vehicle, it would destroy the teaching of Hrovat because Hrovat specifically teaches that the desired torque correction becomes zero on the tire that is ruptured (see column 4, lines 15-31 of Hrovat). For this reason alone, the undersigned believes that independent claims 25 and 36 (and their respective dependent claims) are in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. AP9610 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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